

Amendments to the Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

- 1.- 17. Cancelled
18. (Currently Amended) A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of an impaired comfort, wherein the measures involve a non-driver initiated deactivation of the internal combustion engine during standstill of the motor vehicle.
19. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures are taken on a temporally limited basis, and/or a recurrent basis or a combination thereof.
20. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures are carried out in consideration of the current driving situation.
21. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 18, wherein the selection of the measures depends on the duration, and/or the seriousness or the duration and seriousness of the safety-critical operating condition as regards the safety of operation of the motor vehicle.
22. Cancelled
23. (Currently Amended) The A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of an impaired comfort as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve an a non-driver initiated actuation of the an acoustic alarm device (horn) unwanted by the driver when the doors of the motor vehicle are opened and closed.

24. (Currently Amended) The-A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of an impaired comfort as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve an-a non-driver initiated operation of the electric window lifters during standstill of the motor vehicle what is unwanted by the driver.
25. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve a non-driver initiated deactivation of the multimedia device ~~unwanted by the driver~~.
26. (Currently Amended) The-A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of an impaired comfort as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve a raised temperature indication or an incorrect rotational speed indication of the internal combustion engine of the motor vehicle.
27. (Currently Amended) The-A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of an impaired comfort as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures represent a faulty oil-level tell-tale or a faulty tank capacity tell-tale.
28. (Currently Amended) The-A method A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of an impaired comfort as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve an-a non-driver initiated actuation of the electrically adjustable outside rearview mirrors or the electrically adjustable seats during standstill of the motor vehicle ~~unwanted by the driver~~.
29. (Currently Amended) The-A method A method for transmitting a safety-critical operating condition of a safety-critical system of a motor vehicle to the driver, wherein measures are provided making the driver aware of the safety-critical operating condition by way of

an impaired comfort as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve a non-driver initiated switching on the dimmed headlight ~~unwanted by the driver.~~

30. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve a non-driver initiated switching off the power steering system ~~unwanted by the driver.~~
31. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 18, wherein the measures involve an additional signal in a brake system with electronically adjustable brake forces which influences ~~the-a~~ desired brake force to such effect that a fluctuation of ~~the-a~~ longitudinal deceleration can be detected which corresponds in its mean value per unit time to the desired brake force, however.
32. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein the measures involve a change of ~~the~~ pedal-travel/brake-force characteristics.
33. (Currently Amended) Device for implementing the method as claimed in claim 18, wherein a central control unit is provided sensing the safety-relevant operating conditions and triggering measures.
34. (Previously Presented) The device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the central control unit is integrated into an instrument combination device.